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EXECUTIVE ORDER

REESTABLISHING THE GOVERNOR'S COUNCIL ON SUBSTANCE ABUSE
AND SUPERSEDING EXECUTIVE ORDER 94-09

WHEREAS, there are significant economic, social and human costs associated with the misuse and abuse of alcohol and other drugs in Washington State, for which there are no simple solutions; and

WHEREAS, to reduce these costs will require individuals, families, and communities working in partnership with government, private industry, law enforcement, and schools to create innovative and coordinated solutions to the problem, and strengthen existing programs which are successfully reducing substance abuse;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Mike Lowry, Governor of the State of Washington, by virtue of the authority invested in me, do hereby reestablish the Governor's Council on Substance Abuse as follows:

1. The Council shall be composed of twenty-six members. Fifteen members of the Council shall be appointed by the Governor and shall represent private industry, local and tribal government, treatment providers, community groups, educators, and law enforcement. The directors (or director's designee) of the Department of Social and Health Services, the Department of Community, Trade and Economic Development, the Department of Health, the Department of Corrections, the Chief of the State Patrol (or designee), the Chair of the Liquor Control Board (or designee), and the Superintendent of Public Instruction (or designee) shall serve as members of the council. The membership shall also include four Legislators, two from the Senate and two from the House of Representatives, to be appointed by their respective caucuses.

The terms of members appointed by the Governor shall be three years, except initial appointments shall be one, two, or three years. The Governor shall appoint the Chair.

A majority of the Council shall constitute a quorum, and a majority of those present can approve Council action.

2. The Council shall have the following responsibilities:
 - A. Develop recommendations for a state and local strategy on substance abuse and seek community involvement on issues relating to the strategy, such as public safety and health. The strategy should balance prevention, education, intervention, treatment, and law and justice.

- B. Advise the Governor on substance abuse issues.
 - C. Review and develop recommendations regarding state, local and federal funding of substance abuse issues.
 - D. Consult with and advise the Family Policy Council established in Ch. 198, Laws of 1992, on substance abuse issues.
 - E. Provide policy recommendations to state agencies on alcohol and other drug issues.
3. The Department of Community, Trade and Economic Development shall provide such administrative support and resources as may be necessary to carry out the functions of the Council. The Washington Interagency Network on Substance Abuse (WIN) shall serve as a resource to the Council. Members of the Council may receive per diem and travel expenses in accordance with OFM policies.
4. This Executive Order supersedes Executive Order 94-09, which is hereby rescinded.

This Executive Order shall take effect immediately.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the State of Washington to be affixed at Olympia on this 22nd day of February, A.D., nineteen hundred and ninety-five.

Mike Lowry
Governor

BY THE GOVERNOR:

Ralph Munro
Secretary of State

EXECUTIVE ORDER

ESTABLISHING THE GOVERNOR'S HIGHER EDUCATION TASK FORCE

WHEREAS, in the last decade, Washington State's higher education funding has not increased at the rate needed to keep pace with demand for access to higher education and the enrollment goals set by the Higher Education Coordinating Board have been adopted but never funded; and

WHEREAS, the state will need to provide higher educational opportunities for at least 50,000 more citizens over the next 15 years just to keep postsecondary educational opportunities equal to population growth; and

WHEREAS, past state general fund reductions to public higher education have required cuts to program offerings and restricted opportunities to begin new and innovative service delivery methods; and

WHEREAS, there is a need for improved performance measures for higher education institutions that receive state funding; and

WHEREAS, limits imposed by Initiative 601 and the estimated increases in the statutorily required state services of K-12, corrections, and some social service programs make it clear that a new funding system and service delivery innovations are needed to prevent an erosion of postsecondary education opportunities and financial support;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Mike Lowry, Governor of the state of Washington, by virtue of the authority vested in me, do hereby establish the Governor's Higher Education Task Force.

1. The Task Force is charged with the responsibility to review the current higher education system and to propose a new financing system and accountability measures that establish the state's commitment to efficient, effective, and innovative institutions through the year 2010. The Task Force shall identify and propose:
 - A. Effective and innovative uses of resources that preserve an efficient, stable, and strong public higher education system with institutional accountability to the Governor, legislature, students, business, and citizens of the state;
 - B. Long term policies for establishing student tuition rates, state financial aid, program quality levels, and state funded student enrollments; and

- C. Higher education and training needs necessary for effective and successful participation in the global economy of the 21st Century by Washington State citizens.
- 2. The Governor shall appoint the members of the Task Force which shall include members of the legislature, the Director of the Office of Financial Management, business, labor, higher education institutions, the Higher Education Coordinating Board, and the Commission on Student Learning.
- 3. The Task Force budget and staff shall be provided by the Office of Financial Management.
- 4. Task Force members will be reimbursed for expenses according to RCW 43.03.050.
- 5. The Task Force chair shall be appointed by the Governor.
- 6. The Task Force chair will establish committees as may be necessary to carry out the work of the Task Force. The chair shall also designate a vice chair and provide for the recording of activities and actions taken by the Task Force.
- 7. The Task Force shall appoint advisory groups to assist the Task Force.
- 8. The Task Force shall:
 - A. Issue a report to the Governor and the legislature by July 31, 1996 recommending actions needed to effectively implement long range funding and accountability needs of our state's higher education system;
 - B. Draft the needed legislation and specify other actions that should be taken to implement the recommendations of the Task Force; and
 - C. Coordinate its work with the Higher Education Coordinating Board Master Plan and other education development activities currently taking place in the state of Washington.
- 9. This Executive Order shall take effect immediately and terminate one day after the 1997 legislative session.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the State of Washington to be affixed at Olympia this 24th day of July, A.D., nineteen hundred and ninety-five.

Mike Lowry
Governor

BY THE GOVERNOR:

Ralph Munro
Secretary of State

EXECUTIVE ORDER

ESTABLISHING THE GOVERNOR'S SCHOOL-TO-WORK TASK FORCE

WHEREAS, the young people of the state of Washington would benefit from an education that exposes them to the world of work, provides opportunities to explore a range of choices for careers, and provides opportunities to develop skills and capacities to increase the education and work choices of young people; and

WHEREAS, such educational practices are known as school-to-work transition programs, many of which are currently in operation in the state, and the state would benefit by increasing the scale of existing efforts, developing an integrated school-to-work system which incorporates existing work into a larger statewide effort; and

WHEREAS, the state currently has major strengths in developing a school-to-work system that provides such opportunities for all students in the state, including leadership in education reform, a creative and active education system, substantial commitment and involvement by business and labor in education and workforce development at the state and local levels, initial development of skill standards by industry and education, and local school-to-work and Tech Prep programs currently involving thousands of students; and

WHEREAS, partnerships have been developed at the state level between the common schools, community colleges, business, organized labor, workforce development, and others in support of school-to-work efforts, and such partnerships have also developed at the local level as school-to-work projects have grown; and

WHEREAS, the Governor's Council on School-to-Work Transition in completing its work, has proposed the development of a statewide school-to-work system designed for all the state's young people and has made recommendations to establish the system including establishment of an ongoing task force to oversee the implementation of the Council's recommendations; and

WHEREAS, goals include building school-to-work efforts on the base of education reform, ensuring that all schools and students are involved in school-to-work projects, supporting changes in school-based learning which includes the development of educational pathways, broadening the development of work-based learning, enhancing connecting activities at the local and regional level, expanding the development of skill standards, increasing the ability of business and labor to participate in school-to-work activities, addressing the needs of special populations to ensure all students have the opportunity to effectively participate in school-to-work activities, increasing public understanding of and involvement in school-to-work transition efforts, and establishing an accountability system to ensure that school-to-work efforts are effective.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Mike Lowry, Governor of the state of Washington, by virtue of the authority vested in me, do hereby establish the Governor's School-to-Work Task Force.

- I.** The Task Force is charged with overseeing the implementation of the state's school-to-work system and overseeing the implementation of the recommendations of the Governor's Council on School-to-Work Transition and the subsequent Comprehensive Plan.

Responsibilities of the Task Force include:

- A. Ensuring that the goals and tasks identified in the Final Report of the Governor's Council for School-to-Work Transition and the subsequent Comprehensive Plan are appropriately assigned to lead agencies or organizations with prime responsibility for implementation and ensuring that partners who need to be involved in these tasks have been identified;
 - B. Regularly reviewing progress and quality of school-to-work tasks undertaken by the statewide partners under the Comprehensive Plan;
 - C. Identifying problems that occur in the implementation of the Comprehensive Plan and in the development of the school-to-work system, identifying strategies for responding to them, and directing implementation of those strategies when possible; and
 - D. Submitting annual reports on the state's progress in implementing school-to-work tasks.
- II.** The Task Force shall consist of no more than 12 members who shall be appointed by the Governor and shall serve at the Governor's pleasure. Membership of the Task Force shall include representatives of major partners in developing the state's school-to-work system including the directors of agencies and organizations representing the common schools, two-year colleges, business, labor, and workforce development and shall include other members as the Governor shall designate.
- III.** The Governor shall designate the chair of the Task Force who shall serve at the Governor's pleasure.
- IV.** The Task Force chair may establish sub-committees and working groups as may be necessary to carry out the work of the Task Force. The chair shall designate a vice-chair from the members of the Task Force and shall provide for the recording of activities and actions taken by the Task Force.
- V.** In the event that the state receives major federal grants for school-to-work implementation, the Task Force shall determine necessary actions, develop agreements with partners to implement them, and review progress annually.

VI. The Office of Financial Management will serve as fiscal agent for the Task Force for federal grants. The Director of the Office of Financial Management shall serve as an ex officio member of the Task Force. In the event that the state receives major federal grants for school-to-work implementation, the Office of Financial Management shall assist the Task Force in implementing its decisions.

VII. This Executive Order shall take effect immediately.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the State of Washington to be affixed at Olympia this 24th day of July, A.D., nineteen hundred and ninety-five.

Mike Lowry
Governor

BY THE GOVERNOR:

Ralph Munro
Secretary of State

EXECUTIVE ORDER

MANDATING THE USE OF COMMUNITY PROTECTION TEAMS

WHEREAS, the number of children in the United States who face violence in their own homes is growing dramatically as more families experience poverty, homelessness, and substance abuse problems; and

WHEREAS, the rate of child abuse and neglect in our country has increased by 48 percent over the past eight years; and

WHEREAS, the state's child welfare system is struggling to keep up with growing caseloads and to respond effectively to increasingly severe cases of family dysfunction; and

WHEREAS, no reliable research-based approach exists to identify those families who are most at risk for child fatalities, thereby increasing the need for enhanced professional evaluations; and

WHEREAS, law enforcement officers, physicians, mental health and substance abuse treatment providers, child guardians ad litem, public health nurses, school counselors, and other professionals collectively possess the skills and expertise that can help to reliably assess risk to children, and;

WHEREAS, the checks and balances provided by an "outside" community review of state agency actions can improve outcomes for children and their families; and

WHEREAS, current law permits, but does not require, the Department of Social and Health Services to use community-based, multidisciplinary teams of service professionals for consultation in certain child protection cases;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Mike Lowry, Governor of the state of Washington, by virtue of the power vested in me, do hereby order the following:

- I. The Department of Social and Health Services shall utilize the multidisciplinary community protection teams established pursuant to RCW 74.14B.030 as follows:
 - A. In all child protection cases in which the risk assessment results in a "moderately high" or "high" risk classification, and the child is age six years or younger;
 - B. In all child protection cases where serious professional disagreement exists about a risk of death or serious injury;

- C. In all child protection cases that are opened on the basis of "imminent harm"; and
 - D. In all complex child protection cases where such consultation will help improve outcomes for children.
- II. The Department of Social and Health Services shall establish, maintain, and staff multidisciplinary community protection teams sufficient to review these cases as soon as feasible and shall continue to develop a broad array of team members who will work with the department to make the best decisions possible to protect and improve the lives of the children in our state.
- III. This Executive Order shall take effect immediately.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the State of Washington to be affixed at Olympia this 27th day of July, A.D., nineteen hundred and ninety-five.

Mike Lowry
Governor

BY THE GOVERNOR:

Donald F. Whiting
Assistant Secretary of State

Mike Lowry
Governor

EO 95-05
October 11, 1995

EXECUTIVE ORDER

REGULATORY REFORM

WHEREAS, Executive Order 93-06 and 94-07 took several steps to improve the regulatory process in this state while maintaining protections for public health and safety, the environment, and our citizens; and

WHEREAS, Executive Order 93-06 established the Governor's Task Force on Regulatory Reform which presented recommendations in December, 1993 and December, 1994 and has completed its work; and

WHEREAS, Executive Order 93-06 directed agencies to use technical assistance as a prime means of obtaining compliance with measures intended to protect the health and safety of our citizens and the environment; and

WHEREAS, Executive Order 94-07 established criteria for agencies to consider when adopting rules, creating a reporting process enabling the public, the Governor, and the Legislature to have a better understanding of the kinds of rules adopted and the reasons for their adoption; and,

WHEREAS, the Legislature has enacted measures which address many of the same issues as these two executive orders, although in somewhat different form; and

WHEREAS, it is necessary to avoid conflicts between these Executive Orders and recent statutory changes and to assure efficient use of state agency resources while continuing to follow the philosophy of regulation established in Executive Order 94-07;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Mike Lowry, Governor of the state of Washington, by virtue of the power vested in me, do hereby rescind Executive Order 93-06 and Executive Order 94-07 in their entirety, effective immediately.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the State of Washington to be affixed at Olympia this 11th day of October, A.D., nineteen hundred and ninety five.

Mike Lowry
Governor

BY THE GOVERNOR:

Donald F. Whiting
Assistant Secretary of State

EXECUTIVE ORDER

ESTABLISHING THE GOVERNOR'S HEALTH CARE OUTREACH TASK FORCE
FOR ETHNIC, MINORITY AND OTHER UNDERSERVED POPULATIONS

WHEREAS, it is one of this Governor's top priorities to promote increased access to health care services for all Washington residents; and

WHEREAS, the success of the Basic Health Plan and the Medicaid program expansion for children in families up to 200% of the federal poverty level has led to a significant expansion of the availability of affordable health care for working families; and

WHEREAS, historically, within the population of those who have health insurance, the ethnic and minority communities have been underserved and the Basic Health Plan and Department of Social and Health Services are striving to achieve appropriate representation from within these communities; and

WHEREAS, it would not be possible to reach optimum health insurance enrollment goals with the before-mentioned communities without community based efforts and public private partnerships;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Mike Lowry, Governor of the state of Washington, by virtue of the authority vested in me, do hereby establish the Governor's Health Care Outreach Task Force.

1. The Task Force is charged with the responsibility to work with the Health Care Authority and DSHS's Medical Assistance Administration to review current outreach activities and make recommendations for the building of successful and sustainable systems within and among communities that will result in increased access to health coverage and health care in traditionally underserved communities, including ethnic, minority populations and people with limited or no English language proficiency.
2. The Task Force will have the following goals:
 - a. Creation of effective systems to increase enrollment in the Basic Health Plan, BHP Plus and other Medical Assistance programs among ethnic, minority and underserved populations.
 - b. Develop successful models for providing information on health coverage in target communities.

- c. Establish information structures for the target communities focusing on; access to available coverage, health care choices, and methods for expressing personal health beliefs and preferences to health providers.
 - d. Increase the involvement of community leaders and key organizations in providing information on health care access in their communities.
 - e. Promote peer outreach to minimize cultural barriers to health care access.
- 3. The following results will be expected from the Task Force:
 - a. Provision of appropriate information on health coverage in target communities; and
 - b. Development of sustainable community-based efforts that will assure continued enrollment in the state's health programs.
 - 4. The Governor shall appoint the members of the Task Force and the Task Force chair.
 - 5. The Task Force will report to the Governor.
 - 6. The Task Force will meet monthly. Task Force members will be reimbursed for expenses according to RCW 43.03.050.
 - 7. The Task Force shall advise the Governor on legislative and executive proposals.
 - 8. This Executive Order shall take effect immediately and terminate May 31, 1996.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the State of Washington to be affixed at Olympia this 15th day of December, A.D., nineteen hundred and ninety five.

Mike Lowry
Governor

BY THE GOVERNOR:

Ralph Munro
Secretary of State

Mike Lowry
Governor

EO 95-07
December 29, 1995

EXECUTIVE ORDER

ESTABLISHING A LIMITED ROLE FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE
COMPLIANCE DIVISION AS A "CRIMINAL JUSTICE AGENCY"

WHEREAS, the Compliance Division, within the Department of Revenue, is responsible for the discovery and collection of taxes and fees in the state of Washington; and

WHEREAS, the willful failure to pay tax is a criminal offense under the laws of the state of Washington; and

WHEREAS, interstate vehicle registration, driver's licensing information, and Department of Corrections files are important tools for skip tracing non-compliant taxpayers; and

WHEREAS, this information is only available through the use of Criminal Justice Information System access to which is restricted to Criminal Justice Agencies;

NOW THEREFORE, I, Mike Lowry, Governor of the state of Washington, by virtue of the power vested in me, do hereby designate the Compliance Division of the Department of Revenue as a Criminal Justice Agency for the limited purpose of providing reasonable access to interstate vehicle registration, driver's licensing information, and Department of Corrections files in order to locate non-compliant taxpayers, collect taxes due to the state of Washington, and protect the health and safety of employees by all lawful means.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the State of Washington to be affixed at Olympia this 29th day of December, A.D., nineteen hundred and ninety-five.

Mike Lowry
Governor

BY THE GOVERNOR:

Ralph Munro
Secretary of State